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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING AND IDENTIFYING SHORTED THYRISTORS

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired December 3, 2003, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$950.00 in payment for extension fee for response within the third month pursuant to §1.136(a) to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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